*Road from Manimala to Chunkapara.*

324. *MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Alapara road (road from Manimala to Chunkapara) has been taken over by the Government;

(*b*) whether any maintenance grant has been allotted for this road for this year; and

(*c*) whether any culverts have to be constructed along that road?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) No.

(*b*) The question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) Yes.

MR. K. G. KESAVAN NAIR: Why was the road not taken up by the Government?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I believe there was no demand for it. It has only recently arisen.

*Ennakad-Puliycor road.*

325. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the year or years in which there was budget provision for the improvement of the Ennakkad-Puliyoor Road and the construction of a bridge at Ennakkadmula in Chengannur pakuthi, Tiruvalla taluk; and

(*b*) the amount spent out of such budget provision in each year for the improvement and construction?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: (*a*) From 1117 to 1120 M. E.

(*b*) Nil.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from the honourable member why in spite of the budget provision made during the last four years this work has not been taken up?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: I have been waiting for this question. The work of gravelling takes half man per 100 c. ft. for spreading, half a man for rolling, half a woman for watering and half a woman for conveyance. The total cost at Re. 1/8 per man, and 21 chs. per woman comes to Rs. 2¼. The contractor says he wants Rs. 6 per 100 cubic foot. Am I asked to pay it?

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the steps that are taken by the Government?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKATAKRISHNAN: Being done departmentally.

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